

application. Accordingly, this rejection fails. Therefore, reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection is respectfully requested.

In order to perfect Applicants' claim of priority a certified copy of the Priority Document was filed in the present application on March 20, 2001. The Examiner acknowledged Applicants' claims of priority and the filing of the certified copy in the present application in the June 28, 2004 Office Action.

To further perfect Applicants' claim of priority filed on even date herewith is a Sworn English Translation of the Priority Document. Entry of said Sworn English Translation filed on even date herewith is respectfully requested.


Therefore, based on the above, Applicants priority of invention of the present application predates the effective date of Olson and as such Olson cannot be used for prior art purposes to reject the claims of the present application.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, applicants submit that claims 1-13 are in condition for allowance. Accordingly, early allowance of claims 1-13 is respectfully requested.

To the extent necessary, the applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment of fees, to the deposit account of MATTINGLY, STANGER, MALUR & BRUNDIDGE, P.C., Deposit Account No. 50-1417 (520.39903X00).

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